AN ACT

To increaſe the Revenue, and to compel the accounting more regularly for the ſame, to the Treaſurer of the Province.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—

Addreſs.

WHEREAS the proviſions contained in a certain Act of the Parliament of this Province, paſſed in the thirty-third year of Your Majeſty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to eſtabliſh a further fund for the payment of the ſalaries of the Officers "of the Legiſlative Council and Houſe of Aſſembly, and for defraying the con- "tingent expences thereof;" in ſo far as the ſame did extend to perſons retailing Spirituous Liquors, or Wines, in leſs quantities than three gallons, but not keeping a Houſe of Public Entertainment, are expired: We Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Repreſentatives of the People of the Province of Upper-Canada, in Parliament aſſembled, do moſt humbly beſeech Your Majeſty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's moſt excellent Majeſty, by and with the advice and conſent of the Legiſlative Council and Aſſembly of the Province of Upper-Canada, conſtituted and aſſembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act paſſed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An "Act to repeal certain parts of an Act, paſſed in the fourteenth year of His Ma- "jeſty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for making more effectual proviſion for the "Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America, and to make fur- "ther proviſion for the Government of the ſaid Province," and by the authority of the ſame, That from and after the fifth day of Auguſt in this preſent year, and from and after the fifth day of April in every year enſuing, every Shop-keeper, or other perſon whatſoever, who ſhall ſell or vend any Wine, Brandy, Rum, or other Spirituous Liquor, in leſs quantity at any one time than three gallons, ſhall be poſſeſſed of a Licence for that purpoſe, whether he or ſhe does keep a Houſe of Public Entertainment, or does not; which Licence it ſhall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Perſon Adminiſtering the Government, by or through the Secretary of the Province, or other perſon or perſons whom he ſhall authorize to iſſue the ſame, to grant upon payment of the like rates, duties and fees, as by law are now paid by any perſon Licenced to keep a Houſe of Public Entertainment, for his or her Licence ſo to do: ſuch rates and duties to be collected, paid and applied in like manner and form, and to the ſame uſes, as by the herein before recited Act of the Parliament of this Province is directed; And if any perſon ſhall at any time after the time or times reſpectively herein ſpecified and limited, ſell or vend any Wine, Rum, Brandy, or other Spirituous Liquor, in leſs quantity than three gallons, not being poſſeſſed as aforeſaid, of a Licence for that purpoſe, and ſhall be thereof convicted in manner and form ſet forth by a certain Act of the Parliament of this Province, intituled, "An Act for regulating "the manner of Licencing Public Houſes, and for the more eaſy convicting of "perſons ſelling Spirituous Liquors without Licence," he or ſhe ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of twenty pounds; a moiety whereof ſhall be paid to the informer, and the other moiety ſhall be paid into the hands of His Majeſty's Receiver General, to and for the uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, and towards the ſupport of the Government of this Province, to be accounted for to His Majeſty, through the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury for the time being, in ſuch manner and form as it ſhall pleaſe His Majeſty to direct.

After, &c. and annually, no perſon to ſell leſs than 3 gallons without licence.

Governor to grant licence.

Rates and duties how collected, &c.

Penalty for ſelling without licence.

Penalty, how to be applied.

Secretary to compel Agents to account without delay.

Secretary to account to the Treasurer within one month.

II. And whereas unnecessary delay in accounting to the Provincial Treasurer for the Revenue, may be detrimental to the same, Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Secretary of the Province shall use efficient means of compelling all persons employed by or under him, as his Agents or Deputies, in receiving and collecting the Duties imposed by virtue of this Act, or by virtue of any other Act or Acts of the Parliament of this Province, to transmit to him, from time to time, without delay, all such monies as they shall so receive and collect; and that the said Secretary of the Province, shall pay into the hands of the said Provincial Treasurer, all monies which he shall from time to time so receive, or otherwise collect as Duties imposed by this Act, or by any other Act or Acts of the Parliament of this Province, within one calendar month after he shall have received or collected the same, any Act, Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.